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LETTER DATED 3 OCTOBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace as follows:

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1. On 30 September/1 October 1991, United States air activity inside Iraqi airspace reached a total of 45 sorties flown by 2 four-aircraft formations, 1 three-aircraft formation, 13 two-aircraft formations and 8 single aircraft at speeds of between 600 and 800 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of between 50 and 20,000 metres.

2. Air activity for the purposes of observation and provocation was concentrated over Arbil, Mosul, Dohuk, Zakho, Amadiyah, Tall'afar, Rawanduz and Dukan.

3. At 1045 hours on the same day, two aircraft overflew Faruq airfield and performed aerobatic manoeuvres over a 15-minute period.

4. At 1105 hours on the same day, an F-111 aircraft overflew Firnas airfield at a speed of 500 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of between 300 and 400 metres.

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1. On 1/2 October 1991, United States air activity reached a total of 37 sorties flown by 18 two-aircraft formations and one single aircraft at a speed of 720 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of between 2,000 and 8,000 metres.

2. Air activity for the purposes of observation and provocation was concentrated over Amadiyah, Arbil, Mosul, Dohuk, Zakho, Tall'afar and Dukan.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
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